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Re: App. # 10/811,352

Hey Katherine, Thanks for dropping me a line. I'm totally stoked to see that my little invention has finally made its way through to your desk. Along life's path I have met a few Katherine's, their friends simply call them "Kat", pretty cool... I have yet to meet a "Krazy Kat", that I didn't like, I hope someday we'll get to be friends. Also, Its good to know that you survived the holidays, and I suspect that your looking forward to a little warmer springtime, I know I sure am.

Isn't it interesting...

That you feel my invention may encompass more than a dozen patentably distinct species. I as well am certain that given enough time, variations of my invention could be shown to encompass literally dozens of patentably distinct species and classifications of patentably distinct goods.

Therein Lies my angst...

Just look what happened to the guy that invented the spoon...Next thing you know, there is a patented "soup spoon", then a patented "teaspoon", than a patented "baby spoon", then a patented "cocktail spoon", and so on and so on and so on it goes, until there are literally hundreds of spoon patent holders across the county thumbing their nose at the original inventor of the spoon, simply because he forgot to mention that it was a "multipurpose spoon". Please don't allow this to happen to me.

Please understand...

I haven't brought my invention to your attention simply hoping to obtain my very own, "just another token spoon patent", to pin up on my wall. Nothing could be further from the truth...I need a worthless token patent almost as much as I need another hole in my head! Miss Moran please understand I don't often have something worthy of sharing with the world...But occasionally, I do...And it sure

would be nice to think that when I do bring an innovation to your attention, that it will be considered carefully, by the “Wild Kat”, in “my corner”. Miss Moran, if you agree to help me sort this all out, and help me build a carnivorous patent what will ravenously discourage interference of my development of my invention, I will be forever in your debt. (I will definitely be buying you a steak and a beer at our earliest convenience.)

Just a starving artist...

I am desperately hoping that Katherine has at least a small understanding of Karma... And that she generally welcomes an opportunity to “do the right thing”... Even if it means “NOT” allowing her department to “steam roll”, right over “Just another starving artist”, also I honestly hope you’ll understand that I’m NOT just another big shot attorney trying to sell a client another worthless annual spoon patent, I pray to the big guy in the sky that we never get to the point where Katherine views my art as anything less than pure, clean, true, innovation. Simply put, I am one of “Those skilled in the art”, that you folks occasionally refer to... I can’t help it... IyamwhatIyamandthatsallwhatIyam.

Please, Won’t you please...

Miss Moran, would you please be my intellectual property expert?... Please will you help me discover what I have invented?... Please will you help me build the means to protect this developing American technology (at least on American soil) ... Please will you try to do the right thing, even if its not necessarily what others might suggest?... Please don’t pigeon hole my little invention to being nothing more than a “Plaid cake spoon”. Please don’t build me a patent that every big shot lawyer in the land will easily “steam roll”, right over and around with “Their” version of my invention which they are calling a “sushi slicer” or “kung-fu cleaver” or “sumo shaver” or “banana peeler” or “sandcastle shaping tool” or a “glow in the dark wedding cake frosting tool”, etc. etc. etc. Please help me not build a patent that “Ain’t worth the paper it’s written on”.

Thank you...

For providing me with an opportunity to provide you these requested items. #1, a generic claim and #2, evidence of obvious variants and #3, the election of an invention to be examined.